



Civil Air Patrol
U.S. Air Force Auxiliary

LOUISIANA WING



Wing's Volunteers Stand Ready to Serve

Lt. Col. Dennis Eschman supervises CAP cadets handling critical communications during Hurricane Ida.

When duty calls, the Louisiana Wing serves as a full partner with state and federal responders in both response to and recovery from threatening events. Starting as soon as practical when an emergency is pending, the wing begins mobilizing to address the situation. Most often, its first interaction is with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.

"As a rule, we become engaged as part of GOHSEP's Aviation Coordination Group as soon as practical," said Col. Art Scarborough, CAP's liaison officer to that agency. The Aviation Coordination Group

ensures high-level coordination between federal and state aviation assets on issues ranging from airspace definition and coordination to assignment of aviation-related tasks to the organization most capable of handling them.

In the event of an approaching emergency, the Louisiana Wing commander assigns an incident commander responsible for activating the Wing Hurricane Plan, ensuring the security and availability of assets and building both a mission base staff and a ready roster of qualified participants.

"The wing's pool of incident commanders consists of highly trained, dedicated emergency managers," said Col. Pat Yglesias, wing commander.

Both senior members and cadets stand dedicated to the mission, trained to a high level of expertise and ready to serve. By the time a disaster is in play, the Louisiana Wing is ready with a coordinated action plan, CAP national assets on standby, and an entire body of volunteers ready to go to work.

Volunteer Members

367 adult members
247 cadets
104 aircrew personnel
477 emergency responders

Squadrons

20 locations statewide

Aircraft

12 single-engine

Vehicles

17 vehicles

Interoperable Communications

17 VHF/FM repeaters
138 VHF/FM stations
30 HF stations

Missions

3 search and rescue missions
2 finds*

** Includes finds credited with national team support*

4 disaster relief missions
1 air defense intercept training and evaluation mission
4 CAP, Air Force ROTC, and Air Force Junior ROTC cadet orientation flight missions
8 other Air Force support missions
39 training missions
4 other state support missions
2 other missions in support of partner agencies and organizations or local municipalities

Significant Events Supported

- Green Flag-East
- Responses to Hurricanes Ida and Delta
- Flooding response

Cadet Flying

424 CAP, Air Force ROTC, and Air Force Junior ROTC cadet orientation flights

Total Hours Flown

2,527

Financial

\$91,296 in state funding
\$2,002,655 value of wing's volunteer hours

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